

IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

Eric L. Paulson, M.D., a 49 year-old physician practicing in Carroll, Iowa, was the subject of a disciplinary decision following a hearing before the Board on October 31, 2002. The Board suspended Dr. Paulson's Iowa medical license for a period of fourteen days for violating an Order of the Board and he was issued a formal Reprimand and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine for making false statements on quarterly reports and filing false renewal applications with the Board. Dr. Paulson's license was also placed on probation for a period of five years. Dr. Paulson's Iowa medical license has been on probation since January 11, 1996, for alcohol abuse and violating Board Orders on numerous occasions. Most recently, Dr. Paulson was charged by the Board with violating the terms of a Board Order when he failed to report two criminal arrests and his consumption of alcohol on reports filed with the Board. In November 1999, Dr. Paulson was arrested and charged with Domestic Assault and in May 2001, he was arrested and charged with Public Intoxication. On January 11, 1996, Dr. Paulson's Iowa medical license was placed on probation for five years due to alcohol abuse. On July 15, 1999, the Board charged Dr. Paulson with violating his Board Order when he consumed alcohol. On January 18, 2001, the Board again charged Dr. Paulson for violating the terms his Board Order when he failed to comply with the Board's drug screening program.